

# *Village of Climax*

Regular Meeting

May 17, 2005

Present: Tom Jones, Terry Strong, Salli Thompson, Bill Twiss, Tricia Willis, Bradley J. Wyant, Bill Rogers

Absent: None.

Also Present: Deb Wyant.

Agenda: (Strong/Wyant) Motion to approve the agenda. Unanimously approved.

(Willis/Strong) Motion to approve the minutes of May 3, 2005 without exception. Unanimously approved.

(Strong/Twiss) Motion to approve the May 2005 Bill Package totaling \$8185.81. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

(Strong/Twiss) Motion to approve the April 30, 2005 Treasurer's Report. Major Streets = \$157,645.51; Local Streets = \$27,868.87; General Fund = \$2225,459.07; Water Fund = \$79,178.16, Perpetual Care Fund = \$11,406.63; Totals = \$501,558.24. Roll Call Vote: Unanimously approved.

Guests: None

Communications:

- 1) Information received on block grants
- 2) June MML seminars
- 3) Reviewed proposal from Municipal Code Corp. Given to Tom to review in committee.
- 4) Invitation to Prein & Newhoff pig roast on June 10.

(Jones/Twiss) Motion to approve Terry Strong to attend the MML Seminar on Grant Writing, Friday, June 17 @ \$109.00 plus expenses. Roll call vote: Unanimously approved.

Public Works:

- 1) Water tower painting will begin on Jun 10.
- 2) Discussed color of tank. (Wyant/Jones) Motion to approve the Gloss White color. Unanimously approved.
- 3) Lettering on tank. Terry will be in charge of lettering and gathering samples for Council members. A special meeting may be called.

Administration:

- 1) Discussed signs honoring the Climax-Scotts state football champions to be placed under the welcome signs at the four entrances to the village. Also will look into purchasing new baseball champion signs. (Strong/Twiss) Motion to look into the purchase of football champion signs. Unanimously approved.
- 2) Discussed putting funds into CD's. Will look into CD maturities and the dollar amount to place into the CD's.
- 3) Railroad crossings have been looked at and CN railroad supervisor promised to have the rough crossings completed this year.

Parks:

- 1) 84 flags are needed for the cemetery. American Legion will bill the Village.
- 2) Mike Gibson was directed to look into the purchase of motion sensor lighting for the park.

Public Safety: Animal control was contacted regarding dogs running around loose.

Ordinance/Zoning: Discussed ordinance violations.

Old Business: None

New Business: The Village's portion of the Township's fire department budget was discussed. The Village of Climax will contribute \$28,000 from the General Fund to the Township for the 2005-06 fiscal year. This is over and above the individual village resident's millage contribution to township taxes. In "Millage terms" the \$28,000 amount represents over 2 mills additional burden on Village residents.

Breaking the fire department millage down for both township and village residents:

Township residents (outside of village)

Portion of 1 mill - Fire Department budget  
1/2 mill - Fire millage

Village residents (Only)

Portion of 1 mill - Fire Department budget  
1/2 mill - Fire millage  
2 mills - Contribution to the Township for fire protection

The Council wishes to find a more equitable solution to share the fire department's burden equally among all residents of the township. The fire department committee will arrange to meet with Township officials.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.  
Scott A. Torrance - Village Clerk